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(54) **Leather treatment with selected amphiphilic copolymers.**

(57) A method and process for treating leather utilizing selected amphiphilic copolymers is provided. The amphiphilic copolymers are formed from a predominant amount of at least one hydrophobic monomer and a minor amount of at least one copolymerizable hydrophilic monomer. The process may be particularly useful as a one step substitute for conventional retanning and fatliquoring treatment steps.

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